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Sir:

Relating to the above-identified United States patent application, and under the provisions of Section 119 of 35 U.S.C., Applicants hereby claim the benefit of German Patent Application No. 00 117 922.5, filed in Germany on August 21, 2000, and German Patent Application No. 01 115 613.0, filed in Germany on July 3, 2001.

In support of Applicants' claim for priority, certified copies of said German applications were submitted for filing in the parent case, U.S. Patent Application No. 09/931,161, filed August 17, 2001.

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